face.

The applicants hereby request the benefit of the November 27, 1989 filing date of parent U.S. Application Serial No. 441,637 of which the original patent is a continuation and hereby request the benefit of the December 9, 1988 U.K. Priority Application No. 8828810, a certified copy of which was filed in prior U.S. Application Serial No. 441,637.

It is requested that apparatus claim 14 be designated as one count with dependent claim 15 designated as corresponding to the count. It is further requested that method claim 16 be designated as a second count and that dependent method claim 17 be designated corresponding to the count. Claims 1-13 of the present application are directed to different inventions which do not find antecedent basis in the Li patent and which inventions are patentable over both claims 14 and 16 as well as the other prior art of record. Accordingly, it is submitted that claims 1-13 do not correspond to either proposed count.

An early declaration of an Interference with U.S. Patent No. 5,305,749 is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

FAY, SHARPE, BEALL, FAGAN, MINNICH & McKEE

Thomas E. Kocoysky

Reg. No. 28,383

1100 Superior Avenue

Suite 700

Cleveland, OH 44114-2518

(216) 861-5582